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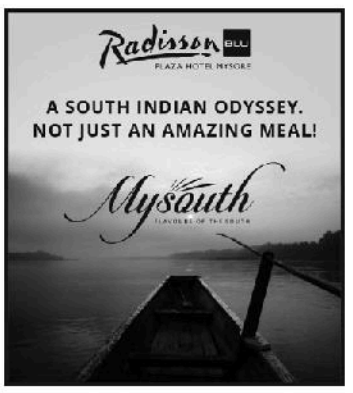

Water release from Kabini Dam & rains trigger flood threat

Rescue Operations on

District officials camp in Nanjangud; Five relief centres set up to house residents of 6 villages on the banks of Kapila River

Mysuru, July 31 (RK&BCT)- A high state of alert in the official machinery has been declared in Mysuru, particularly in Nanjangud, following warnings from the India Meteorological Department (IMD) and the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC) about increased rainfall in Mysuru and Wayanad District, Kerala, during the first week of August.

This rainfall is expected to lead to additional water releases from the Kabini Dam in H.D. Kote Taluk into the Kapila River, which flows through the Temple Town of Nanjangud.

Currently, 70,750 cusecs of water is being released from the Kabini Dam, with the potential for further increases due to ongoing rainfall in Wayanad, which has already seen over 200 casualties from landslides.

Principal Secretary (Disaster Management) of Revenue Department V. Rashmi Mahesh speaking to flood affected victims at Thadi Malangi village relief camp in T. Narasipur this morning as Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Assistant Commissioner K.R. Rakshit and other officers look on. Picture right shows the flooded Nanjangud Road this noon.

The Mysuru District Administration, headed by Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, is stationed in Nanjangud. This team includes Zilla Panchayat CEO K.M. Gayathri, Assistant Commissioner K.R. Rakshit, Revenue Department heads, development officers, revenue inspectors and ZP officials, all overseeing relief and rescue operations.

The Mysuru-Ooty Road has been blocked and the traffic has been diverted at Kadakola. Water has inundated homes in several villages along the Kapila River in Nanjangud and T. Narasipur.

(See RESCUE on page 6)

Wayanad landslides

Death toll rises to 200

45 relief camps have been set up in Wayanad, accommodating 3,069 persons

Wayanad, July 31 (Agencies)- The death toll from the landslides in Wayanad district has risen to 200, with hundreds still feared trapped under the debris.

Rescue efforts are ongoing, with the Army, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and Kerala State Disaster Management Authority personnel working around the clock to locate the missing in Mundakkai and Chooramala areas of Vellarimala village under Meppadi Panchayat. Seventy houses were destroyed, Vellaramala GVHSS School suffered partial damage, and several shops were either fully or partially damaged in Chooramala town.

(See WAYANAD on page 7)

Four from Mandya,

Chamarajanagar among dead

Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah announces Rs. 5 lakh compensation to next of kin

Mysuru, July 31 (VNS)- Two individuals each from Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts lost their lives in the landslides reported in Wayanad district, Kerala, yesterday.

The deceased include Puttasiddi (62) and Rani (50) from Chamarajanagar, Leelavathi and her two-and-a-half-year-old grandson Nihal from Mandya. Their bodies were recovered from the disaster site.

Official sources confirm that Puttasiddi of Gundlupet had been residing in Chooralmala village in Wayanad for the past 30 years. The search is on for Rajan (50) and Rajani (45) from Chamarajanagar taluk.

Swamishetty of Triambakapura in Gundlupet taluk, who was visiting relatives in Meppadi, suffered minor injuries and has been rescued. He is currently receiving treatment at Vythri Taluk Hospital near Wayanad.

Media reports mentioned the deaths of Rathnamma (45) and Rajendra (50) from Erasawadi village, Chamarajanagar district. However, official confirmation is pending. Chamarajanagar Tahsildar Girija and Gundlupet Tahsildar Ramesh Kumar are stationed in Wayanad to gather information about the missing persons from Chamarajanagar and other districts.

(See MANDYA on page 7)

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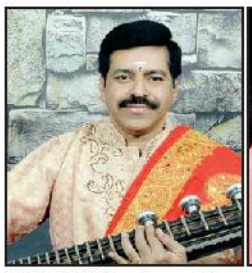
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 31st July 2024

Veena recital by Vid. R.K. Padmanabha at Sri Avani Sringeri Shankar Mutt



Vid. R.K. Padmanabha

Vid. P. S. Sridhar

Vid. V. S. Ramesh

Mysuru, July 31- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust will be conducting a veena recital by Vid. R. K. Padmanabha on Aug. 2 at 6.30 pm at Sri Avani Sringeri Shankar Mutt, Vidyaranyapuram, in city on account of last Ashada Friday.

He will be accompanied Vid. P.S. Sridhar on mridanga and Vid. V. S. Ramesh on ghata.

Artiste's Profile: Vid. R.K. Padmanabha hails from a family of musicians and has been trained both in vocal and veena by his renowned musician father, Asthana Vidwan R.S. Keshavanurthy. A talented vainika, Padmanabha has earned the reputation for his mastery over the instrument and melody in playing. He has performed widely at home and abroad and earned many coveted honours and titles such as Vainika Ratna from Nanjunda Marularadhya Swamiji, Veena Visharada from Sringeri Kudli Mutt, Veena Vadana Chatura from Vidya Varidhi Swamiji, Hoysala Prashasti and Artiste of the Year from Gayana Samaj, Bengaluru and many more, according to a press release from Vid. H. K. Narasimhamurthy, Vice-President.

Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra to USA

Mysuru, July 31- Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra, the senior Dance Guru and Chairperson of Nrityalaya Trust, Mysuru, is leaving for USA today (July 31) to conduct workshops and deliver special lectures on her unique dance style, *Madhurya Marga,* as well as *prerani, goundali* and other Karnataka dance forms.

Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra

Additionally, she will be showcasing dance dramas during her visit. Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra, will be returning to India in November 2024.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

LORD SIVA BLESSES CHILD: ***Lord Siva is ever present to help His devotees. He is the boatman who journeys with the devotee and helps him cross the stream of life. He also delivers all that a true devotee seeks, said Va Ve Su in a discourse on the history of Thirugnanasambandar's gnana pal. Hailed as Isvarakoti (divine messenger), Thirugnanasambandar was born to Sivapadahrudayar and Bhagavathiyar. The father, a staunch devotee of Siva, who lived during a time of religious strife, undertook a penance for a child. He did not pray for a healthy, strong child. Instead he prayed for a son who would ensure that Saivism and Vedantism might flourish and "that the Southern region might surpass the glory of all other regions and progress further." The child would whimper like a lost soul often, but was raised well. At three years, when Sivapadahrudayar was stepping out to carry out his daily rituals at the temple tank, the child refused to let him go, until the father had no choice but to take him along.***

Leaving the child on the steps to the tank, the father immersed himself in the water. Not seeing his father for long the child began to weep, remembering his association with Lord Siva in Kailasam. Siva instructed His divine consort Umaiyal to give the child in a gold cup, a feed of the milk which gushed from Her breast. *—In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Infidelity-busting female detective team at Peru

Lima: A group of Peruvian women known as the "Phoenix Squad" have become famous for specializing in catching unfaithful people throughout Lima and the entire South American Country.

For the past 20 years, the Phoenix Squad has been working hard at exposing unfaithful partners in their home country of Peru. According to founder Jessica Melina, the group has solved over 10,000 cases in the last couple of decades, using a variety of tools and techniques, from old-fashioned detective work to drone surveillance and tiny hidden cameras. Although the Phoenix Squad does not discriminate between men and women when it comes to cheating, they do have one particularity – from the very beginning, its members have been exclusively female, because Melina believes they are most suitable for this type of work.

'Star Wars' gold bikini auctioned for $1,75,000

Dallas: The infamous gold bikini sported by Princess Leia in 1983's Return of the Jedi sold for 1,75,000 dollars at an auction that also featured a screen-used Y-wing model selling for 1.55 million dollars.

Heritage Auctions said the July 24-25 Hollywood/Entertainment Signature Auction featured a number of Star Wars artifacts, including the "Slave Leia" bikini famously worn by Carrie Fisher when she was a prisoner in Jabba's palace.

The costume, inspired by Frank Frazetta, was designed by Nilo Rodis-Jamero and sculpted by Richard Miller.

The auction also included a Y-wing model used on screen during the final battle of 1977's Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope. The model, made by Colin Cantwell, was dubbed the "TIE Killer" because it had a TIE fighter painted on its nose.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth: Men with low sperm count cannot father a child

Fact: With ICSI even men with low sperm count as well as men with no sperms in the semen can conceive by aspirating the testes (TESA).

By Dr. Nivedita Vishwanath Adapa - Director &Consultant - Reproductive Medicine (IVF) Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

City Dermatologist invited as panellist

Mysuru, July 31 - **Dr. (Prof.) H. Hanumanthappa,** senior consultant Dermatologist, Mysuru, has been invited as panellist for scientific session on 'Anti Inflammatory Diseases in Children' at National Paediatric Conference and Silver Jubilee celebration to be held in Chennai from Aug. 2 to 4.

Dr. Hanumanthappa has delivered many guest lectures in National and International conferences besides presenting many scientific papers. He has participated in many seminars and symposiums and has served as National President of Paediatric Dermatologists' Association. He is also the recipient of many awards, honours and felicitations for rendering academic and social services.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **123.25 feet**	Today's level **2,281.72 feet**	Today's level **2,854.43 feet**
Last year's level **113.04 feet**	Last year's level **2,283.70 feet**	Last year's level **2,857.16 feet**
Yesterday's level **123.75 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,284 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,857.03 feet**
Today's Inflow **95,502 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **54,137 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **9,098 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **1,03,222 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **70,750 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **19,250 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Pigeons help clean the environment by eating large amounts of seeds and waste.***
- ***Interaction with pigeons has therapeutic benefits, helping reduce stress and improve mental health.***
- ***A baby pigeon is known as a squab.***
- ***The average weight of a pigeon is about 300-400 grams.***
- ***Pigeons produce tears to keep their eyes lubricated and debris-free.***
- ***Some pigeons have red eyes due to a lack of pigmentation, which reveals the blood vessels in the eye or due to specific genetic traits.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Employer: *Where have you been for so long?*
Employee: *Out for a haircut.*
Employer: *You can't have your hair cut during office hours.*
Employee: *Why not? It grew during office hours!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.74**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 107.64**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 22.80**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 90.57**

VOICE OF THE READER

Do not reduce Brindavan Gardens to historical farce

Sir,

I see that the Brindavan Gardens' Disney Land-style plan has resurfaced with a new name. My thoughts on this are well-known, so let me reiterate: India is a land rich in cultural, historical and religious artefacts that inspire awe in visitors and make every Indian proud of this heritage.

Alyia Phelps

The Brindavan Gardens hold international significance and should be treated according to ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites) guidelines. Preserving the spirit of the place, the 'genius loci,' is essential. Introducing a Disney Land-style theme would undermine the essence of the Garden, reducing it to a historical farce.

The original vision for the Brindavan Gardens came from Mysore's teenage King, Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, who wanted to build a Dam across the Cauvery for public benefit. He appointed Sir M. Visvesvaraya as the chief engineer.

Located just below the Dam, the Brindavan Gardens was initially called Krishnaraja Terrace Gardens and drew inspiration from the Mughal Gardens of Kashmir, particularly the Shalimar Gardens.

This achievement was the result of efforts by the then Dewan of Mysore, Sir Mirza Ismail, and my great-grandfather G.H. Krumbiegel, Superintendent of Parks and Gardens of Mysore, who was also behind Bangalore's Lalbagh and is credited with the title 'The Architect of The Garden City.'

They completed this 60-acre garden in just five years (1927-1932). Isn't this brief history remarkable? Can Disney compete with such a legacy? Perhaps in the short term, but most tourists, whether international or local, seek to experience genuine heritage. Why travel halfway around the world for a theme park that mirrors those found at home?

I don't have a solution for the clash between heritage and regeneration, but here's a thought: In the UK, Hadrian's Wall, which stretches 73 miles across northern England, saw a resurgence in interest in 2018, with an estimated 1,00,000 tourists walking the Hadrian's Wall National Trail. This not only benefited local businesses but also spread the economic advantages of tourism throughout northern England.

By 2025, the UK tourism industry is expected to be worth over 257 billion Pounds. India, renowned for its historical monuments and architectural marvels, will always attract history enthusiasts and tourists interested in authentic heritage experiences.

— Alyia Phelps Gardiner Krumbiegel,
GHK Foundation
London
29.7.2024

HDK again accuses CM of land grab through MUDA

Kumaraswamy says Siddaramaiah is abandoning his socialist image and principles of AHINDA

Kumaraswamy

Bengaluru, July 31 (KMS & BCT)- Former Chief Minister and current Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has sharply criticised Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, alleging that his family has been involved in gobbling up large tracts of land through the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA).

Kumaraswamy accused Siddaramaiah of abandoning his socialist image and the principles of AHINDA (an acronym for Minorities, Backward Classes, and Dalits), as well as his pretence of truthfulness.

In a series of tweets yesterday, Kumaraswamy claimed that documents revealing irregularities in MUDA's land allocations involving Siddaramaiah's family are being widely circulated nationwide.

He alleged that Siddaramaiah is engaged in misconduct and is using the guise of protecting the AHINDA community to shield himself. Kumaraswamy also noted that even members and leaders of Siddaramaiah's own party are contributing to his difficulties.

HDK confirmed that MUDA had allocated a plot to him and provided the possession documents, which he has shown to the media. However, he questioned why the plot had not yet been transferred to him and implied that Siddaramaiah was deflecting blame through false claims and attempts to damage others' reputations.

Addressing Siddaramaiah directly, Kumaraswamy remarked, "I don't know if lying has become a habit, tradition, or tactic for you, but your blatant dishonesty reveals a complete lack of morality. In the MUDA scam, where you are standing as an accused, your false accusations against me and my family are beneath your dignity."

Kumaraswamy further stated that while Siddaramaiah suggests he should focus on bringing industries and benefits to the State, he was already aware of what needs to be done.

He criticised Siddaramaiah for creating obstacles through non-cooperation and jealousy, despite his public statements about cooperation.

One-Man Judicial Commission Office at Kumara Krupa Guest House

P.N. Desai

Mysuru, July 31 (RK&BCT)- The One-Man Judicial Inquiry Commission that was established to investigate the alleged irregularities in MUDA site allocation process involving a 50:50 ratio scheme has set up an Office at the Kumara Krupa Guest House in Bengaluru.

The Commission is headed by retired Karnataka High Court Justice P.N. Desai. To facilitate the inquiry, officials have arranged the necessary infrastructure at the Kumara Krupa Guest House, including furniture, computers, internet, printers, scanners, stationery, file storage racks, DTP operators, and assistants.

Yesterday, MUDA Commissioner and the Superintending Engineer were summoned to Bengaluru for a meeting with Justice Desai.

During the meeting, the judge reviewed the scam's details and directed the officials to provide all necessary documents upon request. Additionally, relevant officers and staff are to be made available for questioning as the investigation proceeds.

The State Government is expected to issue a formal notification regarding the Commission's investigation within the next two days, marking the formal start of the inquiry.

This follows a previous investigation by a four-member committee led by senior IAS Officer Venkatachalapathy, which conducted a ten-day review at the MUDA Office.

However, the government later dissolved this committee and transferred the investigation responsibility to the current One-Man Judicial Commission.

Maharaja High School Alumni Association celebrates Mummadi Jayanti

Mysuru, July 31- Maharaja High School and PU College Alumni Association celebrated Founder, Maharaja Mummadi Krishna Raja Wadiyar Jayanti on July 15 by garlanding the bust of the Maharaja in front of the PU College.

Association President B.S. Sridhar Raj Urs along with Hon. President Dr. N. Chandrashekar of Aditya Hospital, Vice-Principal Mahesh, staff and students attended the event held at the Library Hall.

Speaking on the occasion, Sridhar Raj Urs recalled how the book 'learning Hindi through Kannada language' donated to students by him helped the school to achieve cent percent result in English medium section and 90 percent in Kannada medium section. He promised that he would visit the school often to encourage students and support the staff. He said that the Association will arrange special coaching for SSLC students.

Dr. Chandrashekar also promised to help through Kalika Kendras started by him. Treasurer Rangaswamy was also present.

De-addiction Day in city tomorrow

Mysuru, July 31 (KS)- The District Administration, Zilla Panchayat, District Police, Department of Information and Publicity, Health and Family Welfare Department, Karnataka State Temperance Board, Social Welfare Department, Education Department and Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering & Technology, as part of the birth anniversary of Dr. Mahantha Shivayogi, have jointly organised 'De-addiction Day' at the College premises on Bannur Road here tomorrow at 11 am.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate. Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda will preside. Vidya Vikas Secretary V. Kaveesh Gowda and a host of other elected representatives will be present.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Yoga classes

JSS Ayurveda Hospital on Lalithadripura Road in Alanahalli will be conducting yoga classes between 6.30 am and 7.30 am from Aug. 1 at its premises. For details, contact Mob: 99164-83919 or 96320-00697.

Karkataka Chikitsa

JSS Ayurveda Hospital on Lalithadripura Road in Alanahalli has organised Karkataka Chikitsa, a special monsoon rejuvenation camp from Aug. 1 to 31 between 9 am and 4.30 pm at its premises in city. Those suffering from arthritis, spondylitis, back pain, insomnia, stress and depression may make use of the camp. For details, contact Mob: 98864-85505 or 80730-28433.

Outdoor games contest on Aug. 4

As part of its Annual General Body Meeting (AGM), city's Ursu Mandali Sangha will be conducting various outdoor games for its members at Sri Jayachamarajendra Ursu Boarding School premises at 9 am on Aug. 4. This will be followed by cultural and curricular contests, according to a press release. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2447104.

Story-telling

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni- 839,' Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling by Dakshinamurthy Krishnakumar, Kaliyuga Shravanakumara, Mysuru at Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, in city on Aug. 3 between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115.

Ph.D awardees

Mallikarjuna has been awarded Ph.D in Education by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'Analysis of Factors Contributing to Facilitation of Mathematization by Elementary School Teachers' submitted under the guidance of Dr. T.V. Somashekar.

G.R. Umesha has been awarded Ph.D in Education by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'Competencies and Challenges of Elementary School Teachers Towards Inclusive Practices for Children with Special Needs (CWSN)' submitted under the guidance of Dr. T.V. Somashekar.

Mission Hospital employees' stir enters 17th day

Two attempt suicide by consuming phenyl, one discharged from hospital

Manjunath

Rajesh

The employees of Mission Hospital staging an indefinite protest at the hospital premises in city.

Mysuru, July 31 (SBD&KS)- Two employees of Holdsworth Memorial Hospital (Mission Hospital) who are on an indefinite protest along with many other Hospital employees, allegedly attempted to commit suicide by consuming phenyl during the protest on Monday. The protest entered the 17th day today.

Meanwhile, Mandi Police have written to the officials of the Labour Welfare Department seeking immediate action.

The two employees, who had consumed poison are 42-year-old Rajesh and 52-year-old Manjunath. They were immediately rushed to K.R. Hospital, where they were treated. One of them was discharged on Tuesday.

The Hospital employees are staging an indefinite protest under the banner of Holdsworth Memorial (Mission) Hospital Employees Union since July 15 seeking clearance of salary dues, remittance of their share of money deducted to their Provident Fund (PF) accounts and ESI.

Following the incident, Mandi Police Inspector, anticipating that the protesters may intensify their stir, has written a letter to the Assistant Labour Commissioner (ALC) seeking immediate response pertaining to the employees' demands.

In the letter, Mandi Police have stated that the Hospital employees on July 2 had submitted a memorandum to yourself (Assistant Labour Commissioner) highlighting the issues regarding their salaries and Provident Fund. They (employees) had also warned of intensifying their protest, if their problems were not solved at the earliest.

From July 15, the employees have begun their indefinite protest in the Hospital premises and on July 29, two striking employees consumed poison, took ill and have been admitted to K.R. Hospital.

If their problems are not solved, there could be disturbance in the law and order situation, which could also result in loss of lives and damage to properties. Hence there is a need to take immediate action from your Department, the letter from Mandi Inspector to Assistant Labour Commissioner added.

Two injured as SUV topples on Outer Ring Road

Mysuru, July 31 (RK&KS)- Two youths sustained injuries when the Maruti Brezza SUV, in which they were travelling, hit the road median and toppled many times on the Outer Ring Road here yesterday morning.

The injured youths are 24-year-old Preetham, a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, who was driving the SUV and 20-year-old Gautham, a resident of Panchamantra Road in Kuvempunagar.

The two were proceeding on the Ring Road in the Maruti Brezza SUV (KA-09-MC-4969) from Bogadi side towards Dattagalli, when Preetham, who was behind the wheels of the SUV lost control of the vehicle which hit the road median between KEB Junction and Sa Ra Convention Hall. The SUV toppled four to five times on the road before coming to a halt.

Passersby and Police personnel, who rushed to the help, rescued the profusely bleeding two youths and shifted them to a nearby private hospital, where they are said to be out of danger.

KR Traffic Police, who have registered a case, have seized the SUV.

Eleven-year-old boy ends life

Mysuru, July 31 (KS)- A 11-year-old boy allegedly committed suicide by hanging self at his house in Nazarbad Police limits yesterday.

The deceased boy was studying in fifth standard at a reputed school in city. As there was a parents' meeting at the school, the boy had returned home at about 2.30 pm. His mother had gone to a temple and when she returned at about 3.30 pm, she saw her son hanging, removed the noose and immediately rushed him to a hospital, where he was declared dead by the doctors.

It is learnt that the boy was very good in his studies and had shown interest in football and other sports. His teacher had also given a good opinion about him at the parents' meeting.

Nazarbad Police, who registered a case, shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary where post-mortem was conducted and the body was handed over to the family members. Nazarbad Police are investigating.

Boy dies of fever

Avez

Hunsur, July 31- A 13-year-old boy, who was suffering from severe fever, died at a private hospital in Mysuru. The deceased boy is Avez, son of Nasir, a resident of Rathnapuri village in the taluk.

Avez, who was studying in 8th standard, developed fever about three days ago and was treated at a local hospital. As the fever did not subside, he was admitted to a private hospital in Mysuru, where he breathed his last.

Obituary

Anusuyamma

Mysuru, July 31- Anusuyamma (85), wife of retired District Surgeon late Dr. B.K. Jayaraj and resident of Yadavagiri, passed away this morning in city. She leaves behind two sons, one daughter, daughters-in-law, grand-children and host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Jodi Tenginamara Burial Grounds in Bannimantap this afternoon.

Cristine Prema

Cristine Prema (75), a resident of LIC Layout in Srirampura 2nd Stage, passed away yesterday in city. She leaves behind one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the Christian Cemetery in Gandhinagar this afternoon.

Nanjamma

Nanjamma, mother of Vishwamanava Mysore University Employees Association President Vasudeva, passed away on July 29 at a private hospital in city.

She leaves behind four sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Masnapura village in Chamarajanagar district.

Statues of Nalwadi, Sir MV unveiled at KRS

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar showering flower petals to inaugurate the statues of Nalwadi and Sir MV installed inside a similar looking Mantapas with domes at the Southern Gate of the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam on Monday (July 29).

Mysuru, July 31 (MR&BCT)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah unveiled life-size statues of Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, the Chief Founder-Patron of KRS Dam and Sir M. Visvesvaraya (Sir MV), Dewan and Chief Engineer behind the reservoir's construction, at KRS Dam in Srirangapatna, Mandya District on July 29.

The unveiling took place during CM's visit to offer 'Bagina' at the Dam. Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar was also present.

The statues, facing each other, crafted from white marble and housed inside two identical Mantapas with domes, have been installed at Southern Gate of the Dam.

According to officials from Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Ltd. (CNNL), the statues were sculpted in Jaipur, Rajasthan. The statue of Krishnaraja Wadiyar stands approximately 12 feet tall, including the pedestal, while Sir MV's statue measures about 11.5 feet.

The statue works, which began on July 7, 2019, faced significant delays, including disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The design and construction were based on the model of the K.R. Circle in Mysuru, which features a similar white marble statue of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar.

The Mantapas housing the statues were constructed from Doddaballapur stones, while the statues themselves are made of white marble, consistent with those found at Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, Chamaraja Wadiyar and Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circles in Mysuru city.

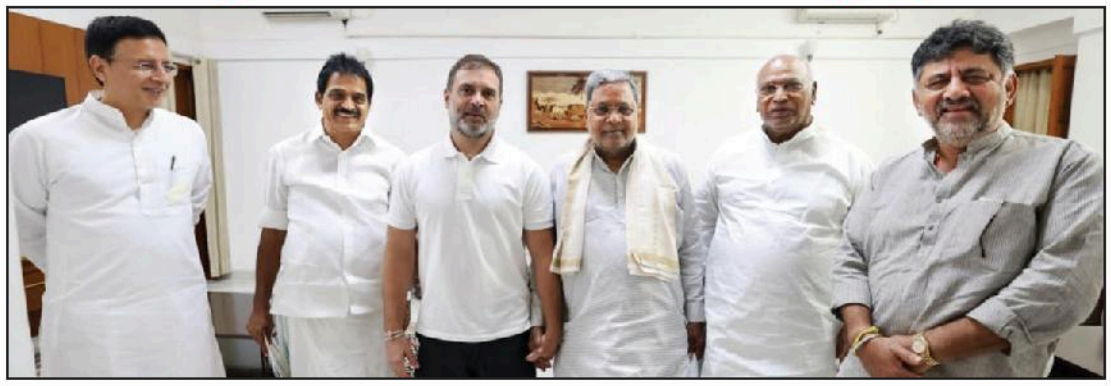
Congress bosses confront State leaders on scams, internal discord

Siddaramaiah informs high command about 'revenge' politics by BJP and JD(S)

Bengaluru, July 31 (KMS & BCT)- Internal power struggle within Congress in Karnataka, MUDA scam worth thousands of crores of rupees and the Rs. 187 crore scam in Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki ST Development Corporation figured prominently at Congress party meeting in New Delhi yesterday.

The meeting was chaired by AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge. Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi and party leaders K.C. Venugopal, Randeep Singh Surjewala, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and his deputy D.K. Shivakumar were also present.

The Congress high command reportedly pulled up Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar over the recent political developments that caused a big embarrassment to the party at the national level. The high command has sought an explanation from Siddaramaiah regarding corruption allegations against him and the State Government that came to power with a huge majority.



Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi seen with** (from left) **senior party leaders Randeep Singh Surjewala, K.C. Venugopal, CM Siddaramaiah, AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar at New Delhi yesterday.

Siddaramaiah, however, told the party bosses that the Opposition parties targeted him and his Cabinet Ministers though they had no role in the scam in the Valmiki Corporation and irregularities in the allotment of sites by MUDA.

Embarrassment to party

Kharge and Rahul Gandhi are said to have expressed displeasure over corruption, which was even debated at the national level in the Parliament, embarrassing the party that is trying to emerge as champions of SC, ST and OBC communities.

The leaders told the CM that the scam in Valmiki Corporation has dented the party's image and they cannot defend themselves in the Parliament. They also sought details of the case from a senior IAS Officer.

The meeting discussed these concerns and the possibility of the next move and how the Government should go about it, sources said, adding they also discussed political fallout with BJP trying to leverage the situation by launching a padayatra from Bengaluru to Mysuru.

Additionally, internal discord has raised alarms for the high command. Tensions have emerged as senior party members, including Ministers K.N. Rajanna, Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and Satish Jarkiholi, who are known supporters of Siddaramaiah, are reportedly seeking D.K. Shivakumar's replacement as KPCC President.

Some seniors from the anti-Siddaramaiah faction are believed to have communicated complaints to the high command regarding the CM's leadership.

Siddaramaiah later told reporters that he informed the high command about the 'revenge' politics by BJP and JD(S).

Rahul Gandhi told Karnataka leaders to look at the reasons behind party's performance in the LS poll and why it failed to win as many seats as it was expecting and work in that direction.

Meghalaya Governor assumes Office

Former MP from Mysuru C.H. Vijayashankar took charge as the new Governor of Meghalaya yesterday. Chief Justice of the High Court of Meghalaya, S. Vaidyanathan, administered oath of Office at Raj Bhavan. The Governor said that his priority was progress and development in the State.

Fifth annual convocation of Mathura Sanskriti University

Honorary doctorate conferred on Arun Yogiraj from Mysuru

Mathura, July 31 (Agencies)- Mathura Sanskriti University held its fifth annual convocation ceremony at its campus yesterday, with former President of India Ram Nath Kovind as the chief guest.

During the ceremony, Arun Yogiraj from Mysuru, renowned for sculpting the Balak Ram idol at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Philosophy (D. Phil) degree in Sculpting and Art.

Yogiraj is also known for his other notable works, including the 12-foot-tall, 35-ton statue of Adi Shankaracharya at the Kashi Vishwanath Temple in Varanasi and the 30-foot statue of Subhash Chandra Bose on the Amar Jawan Jyoti at India Gate in New Delhi.

Others who received the doctorate were Rahul Sharma, a renowned Santoor maestro, Satya Hinduja, a celebrated sound artist, Udayraj Gadnis, a prominent artist, Krishna Mehta, a textile and fashion designer and Rochelle Potkar, an acclaimed writer. At the convocation, a total of 108 medals and 1,482 degrees were awarded to the meritorious students, marking a significant milestone in their academic journey.

Addressing the convocation, Ram Nath Kovind inspired the graduates with his words of wisdom. He emphasised the importance of giving back to society, stating, "What society has given you, you must return." He urged the students to work in the national interest, assuring them that their success depends not on their background but on their dedication and intentions.

He also highlighted the importance of maintaining good health, noting, "Half of the country's population is not engaging in physical activities. In a nation known for yoga and pranayama, this is unacceptable. A healthy body fosters a better mind." Kovind urged everyone to modernize while remaining connected to their cultural roots.

Sachin Gupta, Chancellor of Sanskriti University, and Vice-Chancellor Prof. M.B. Chetti were also present at the ceremony.

Rescue operations on

Additional DC Dr. P. Shivaraju, Assistant Commissioner K.R. Rakshit, Tahsildar, Zilla Panchayat Deputy Secretaries and other officials having dinner at a relief centre yesterday with the villagers of Thadi Malangi in T. Narasipur Taluk.

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Residents living within 100 metres of the river are being relocated to 'Kalaji Kendras' (relief centres). Food, drinking water, blankets and toilets have been arranged at these centres.

Under the direction of the DC and ZP CEO, residents from four villages in Nanjangud have been moved to three relief centres. In T. Narasipur, two relief centres have been set up under Assistant Commissioner Rakshit to accommodate residents from two villages near the T. Narasipur bridge.

Precautionary measures

DC Lakshmikantha Reddy has issued urgent instructions for precautionary measures. Revenue Inspectors, village staff, and Panchayat Development Officers in flood-affected Gram Panchayat areas have been asked to remain at central locations to monitor the situation and implement necessary precautions.

To prevent vehicle and public access to areas at risk of bridge collapses, appropriate barricades have been installed and monitored in coordination with Police and local authorities.

Residents in low-lying or flood-prone areas near riverbanks have been advised to relocate to safe locations. Efforts are being made to persuade them to move, and if necessary, forceful measures are being taken to transfer them to safe shelters, the DC said.

Forces on Standby

The DC has emphasised that all necessary precautions are being taken to prevent any loss of life. Forces from Mysuru city and district, including the KSRP, CAR, and DAR, are on high alert for potential involvement in rescue operations. Additionally, a State rescue team is stationed in Mysuru to support relief efforts.

All Taluk Hospitals have been equipped with essential medications to handle an increase in patients due to water-related accidents. In response to the landslides in Wayanad, the Mysuru District Administration has dispatched a team of expert doctors and medical supplies to ensure resident safety and conduct health checks.

Rescue team to Wayanad

A specialised team, including Dr. Srinivasa, Dr. Nagesh Rao, Dr. Sheshadri, and Senior Pharmacist Umesh, was dispatched from the Karnataka border area at Bavali Check Post. The coordination was managed by Hunsur Sub-Divisional Officer Venkataraju, Tahsildar Srinivas, and Taluk Health Officer Dr. Ravikumar.

Additionally, five emergency vehicles and ten beds have been prepared at the H.D. Kote Taluk Hospital, with essential medicines stocked as part of precautionary measures. The team also included senior health inspection officers Nagaraj and Ravi Raj, as well as forest department staff and other officials.

Do not visit during heavy rains now: Kodagu DC

Venkat Raja

Madikeri, July 31 (AG&BCT)- In light of the heavy downpour and the red alert for July 31 and Aug. 1, Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Venkat Raja has urged individuals and tourists to postpone their visits to the district. The intense rainfall has caused significant disruptions, including road connectivity issues in several areas. DC Venkat Raja advised, "For safety reasons, those planning to visit Kodagu on July 31 and Aug. 1 should avoid travelling and reschedule their trips." The Kodagu District Administration is prioritising public safety and urges both residents and visitors to follow this advisory until conditions improve.

Karnataka extends helping hands; sends personnel and materials

Green Corridor (traffic-free stretch) set up at Bandipur Check Post; Bengaluru-Wayanad National Highway 766 closed

Bengaluru, July 31 (Agencies)- Karnataka has extended its support for rescue operations in Wayanad, deploying earth movers, cranes and other heavy equipment to clear debris.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has assured full cooperation for rescue and relief efforts in the landslide-affected Wayanad. He has assigned two IAS officers to coordinate with Kerala State authorities for the ongoing operations.

Currently on a tour in New Delhi, Siddaramaiah issued a statement noting that NDRF teams from Bengaluru and the Madras Engineer Group (MEG) of the Army have been dispatched to assist in Wayanad.

One MEG officer, accompanied by two JCOs and 70 personnel, has already left for Wayanad with 15 vehicles carrying rescue supplies. Another contingent of two officers, four JCOs and 100 army personnel will follow in 40 vehicles. To ensure the smooth transport of these teams and relief supplies, instructions have been given to allow unrestricted passage through the Green Corridor (traffic-free stretch) at Bandipur Check Post.

The Karnataka Government is in constant touch with Kerala's Disaster Management authorities and is providing necessary support. Additionally, the Deputy Commissioners of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar border districts are also contributing to the efforts.

Medical aid, hospital facilities, and buses for transporting the injured are stationed in H.D. Kote. The Chamarajanagar District Administration has set up a helpline for residents who frequently travel to Wayanad.

Siddaramaiah, has received preliminary reports of Kannadigas stranded in Wayanad and assured that all efforts will be made to rescue them.

Route closed

As a precaution, authorities have closed the Bengaluru-Wayanad National Highway 766, which passes through Gundlupet in Chamarajanagar district. Travellers are advised to use the Gundlupet-Bandipur-Gudalur route instead.

Helpline numbers for assistance, response

Helpline numbers: 08226-223161, 223163, 223160 and WhatsApp number 9740942902. For coordination in Wayanad, senior IAS officers P.C. Jaffer (Mob: 94483-55577) and Dilish Sasi (Mob: 94460-00514) have been appointed.

A 24/7 helpline has been established by the Chamarajanagar District Administration to assist relatives of unorganised workers from Gundlupet taluk and surrounding areas who travel to Wayanad for work. The public can contact the helpline numbers 08226-223161, 223163, 223160, or WhatsApp number 9740942902.

The Mysuru District Administration has prepared medical facilities at H.D. Kote Taluk Hospital and K.R. Hospital, arranged transportation for the injured, and identified cold storage suppliers for deceased bodies. A helpline number 0821-24223800 has also been opened.

Wayanad landslides

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Over 120 rescued and injured individuals are receiving treatment in various hospitals across Wayanad. Kerala Health Minister Veena George confirmed that postmortems on 116 bodies have been completed.

In response to the disaster and continuing rainfall, all educational institutions were closed today, and holidays were declared in 11 districts: Kasaragod, Kannur, Kozhikode, Wayanad, Malappuram, Palakkad, Thrissur, Idukki, Ernakulam, Alappuzha and Pathanamthitta.

Orange alert

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued an 'Orange' alert for Wayanad and neighbouring districts, forecasting heavy to very heavy rainfall on July 31 and Aug. 1, with more heavy rain expected on Aug. 2. The IMD also warned of strong surface winds reaching 30-40 km/h, gusting to 50 km/h, over Kerala on July 31.

Currently, 63 bodies are being held at the Community Health Centre (CHC) in Meppadi, four at a private hospital in Meppadi and 48 at Nilambur District Hospital in Malappuram.

A temporary bridge linking Chooramala to Mundakkai has been constructed by the military, and the Indian Air Force has airlifted the first group of injured and elderly people. Evacuation efforts from Mundakkai are ongoing through ropeways, temporary bridges and helicopters. NDRF, military personnel from Kannur, Pangode and Chennai, as well as naval forces from the Indian Naval Academy, continue their search and rescue operations.

Sources report that, 22 students from GVHSS, Vellaramala, are missing out of the total 582 students. School authorities are attempting to contact all students through their teachers, but have received no response from these 22 students.

Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan described the situation as heartbreaking. He visited the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) office to review the relief and rescue efforts at Chooramala.

Vijayan noted that an army team led by a Lieutenant Colonel crossed a nearby river to reach the Mundakkai market area, from where several stranded individuals have been rescued. Bodies and body parts have also been recovered from the Chaliyar River in Malappuram district.

The first landslide occurred at 2 am on Tuesday, followed by a second landslide at 4:10 am. Areas including Meppadi and Mundakkai, Chooramala were isolated, and roads in Chooramala and Mundakkai were washed away.

Over 45 relief camps have been set up in Wayanad, accommodating 3,069 people. A total of 118 camps are operational across the State, housing 5,531 individuals.

Had predicted about Wayanad tragedy: Kodi Mutt Seer

Kodi Mutt Seer

Belagavi, July 31 (VNS)- Kodi Mutt Seer Sri Shivananda Shivayogi Rajendra Swamji, has claimed to have predicted about Wayanad landslides about 20 days ago.

Speaking to media persons at Ramatheertha, here yesterday, the seer said that, he had predicted about the possibilities of heavy rainfall, landslides, loss of lives and increase in diseases, not restricted to India but across the globe.

"The rain will continue to pound till the next Amavasya (new moon day) and will spread to other places. The year being named as 'Krodhi' meaning 'Angry' according to Hindu Chandramana Calendar, uncontrolled natural calamities are expected to follow. The year will be a mix of good days and bad days, but bad days will be more, during which vast swathes of lands are expected to get submerged with causalities," he added.

When asked about any possibility of change of guard in State, the Seer ruled out any such possibility anticipating the negativity that attracts the people.

Four from Mandya, Ch. Nagar among dead

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Ramesh Kumar visited the relief camp at St. Joseph UP School in Meppadi and met Vinod and his family members from Chamarajanagar, who are currently residing there.

11 from Mandya missing

In addition to the confirmed deaths, Leelavathi and her grandson Nihal, three family members from Mandya are missing. Jhansirani, Anil Kumar (her husband) and Anil's father Devaraju remain unaccounted for.

Anil Kumar, from Sargur taluk in Mysuru, had been working at a tea estate in Mundakkai. Jhansirani is from K.R. Pet taluk in Mandya. Furthermore, nine people from Malavalli taluk who had visited Wayanad are also reported missing, though this has not yet been officially confirmed.

Entry ban at waterfalls

As a precaution due to heavy rainfall in the Cauvery and Kabini catchment areas, the Chamarajanagar District Administration has banned tourist entry to Wellesley Bridge (Lushington Bridge), Shivanasamudra, Bharachukki and Hogenakkal Falls.

A press release stated that ban will be in effect from July 31 to August 2, anticipating increased discharge of water from the Kabini and KRS reservoirs to the river.

JD(S) will not support BJP's 'Mysuru Chalo' : HDK

New Delhi, July 31 (Agencies)- Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has declared that the JD(S) will not support the BJP's proposed 'Mysuru Chalo' padayatra from Bengaluru to Mysuru, which aims to highlight alleged irregularities in the allotment of MUDA sites. Kumaraswamy questioned the timing of padayatra, given the ongoing rain and flood damage.

Speaking to reporters in New Delhi today, HDK stated, "Why should we support this padayatra if we are not being consulted and treated properly? The padayatra passes through our stronghold," he added. Kumaraswamy expressed his displeasure with way BJP leaders treated him, specifically targeting former BJP MLA Preetham Gowda from Hassan. Kumaraswamy accused Gowda of being the 'kingpin' behind the distribution of pen drives containing clips of alleged sexual abuse by his nephew and former Hassan JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna.

"Who has been appointed as the head of this padayatra? Who is Preetham Gowda? He is the person who tried to destroy the family of (former PM) H.D. Devegowda," Kumaraswamy said.

"He called a meeting, which I attended. My tolerance has limits. Who was responsible for distributing those pen drives in the streets of Hassan? They invite someone who has harmed our family and expect me to sit next to him. Don't BJP leaders know what has happened in Hassan?", asked HDK.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Installation of Lions Club of Mysore West

*The 43rd installation ceremony of Lions Club of Mysore West was held recently at Melvin Jones Bhavan in Gokulam. Seen are (standing from left) **Ln. Paramjit Singh, Ln. Kotian, Ln. Rajendra Santhosh (Treasurer), Ln. Dr. Mahesh Kumar, Ln. Nagarajan Srinivasan, Ln. Dr. Ravichandra Kulkarni, Ln. Rajuchandrushekar (Installing Officer), Ln. Mythri (RC), Ln. Dr. Chetan (President), Ln. Vidyashankar, Ln. H.G. Sharath, Ln. Dharmendar (Secretary), Ln. K.S. Gururaja, Ln. Dr. Manjunath Shetty and Ln. Dr. S.N. Mothi.***

Lions Club of Mysore Vishwamanava Kuvempu

Mysuru, July 31- The 2nd installation ceremony of new office-bearers of Lions Club of Mysore Vishwamanava Kuvempu was held on Sunday at Kodagu Sahakara Sangha Hall in Jayalakshmipuram.

R. Ramesh Kumar (Richie) was sworn-in as Club President for the year 2024-25 while T. Nagaraje Gowda as Secretary and B.N. Shivakumar as Treasurer.

The new team was installed by M. Anil Kumar, Past District Governor and was inducted by R.D. Kumar, Advocate and LICF District Co-ordinator. Srinivas, ex-Corporator, was the Chairman of the Installation Committee. Last year the Club headed by N.P. Ramesh took up various activities for the welfare of the people and the new Committee headed by Ramesh Kumar plans to hold health camps, health talks, talks on cyber crime and reaching out to deserving needy people. On the occasion the new Committee handed over the Braille script sheet to Deaf and Dumb School Superintendent Satish.

New office-bearers of Rotary Mysore Royal

*The installation ceremony of Rotary Mysore Royal for the Rotary Year 2024-25 took place at Hotel Kalyani recently. Dr. R.D. Manjunath, city's renowned Surgical Oncologist at K.R. Hospital was the chief guest. Assistant Governor, Zone 8 Rtn. Keshav Prakash and ZL, Zone 8, Rtn. P.N. Shridhara were the guests of honour. Seen are (sitting from left) **Rtn. P.N. Shridhara (ZL, Zone 8 Dist 3181 2024-25), Rtn. Keshav Prakash (Assistant Governor, Zone 8, Dist 3181, 2024-25), chief guest Dr. R.D. Manjunath, Rtn. A. Sridhar (President, Rotary Mysore Royal 2024-25), Rtn. K. Hanumantha Rao (Secretary and President - Elect, Rotary Mysore Royal, 2024-25), Rtn. Nagendra Prasad (Immediate Past President); (standing back row from left) Rtn. Johnson Joseph, Rtn. Vikram Crasto, Rtn. Nagesh R. Hansoge, Rtn. Vijay C.S. Anand, Rtn. S.N. Raghavendra, Rtn. V. Shruti, Rtn. Renuka Raghavendra, Rtn. Lalitha Sumanth, Rtn. C. Sivaranjani, Rtn. Pius Saldanha (Vice-President 2024-25), Rtn. S.P. Sumanth (Treasurer 2024-25), Rtn. A.M. Dhananjaya, Rtn. Premanand D'Mello and Rtn. T.R. Ravindran.*

Lions Sevaniketan School Investiture Ceremony held

Mysuru, July 31- Mysore West Lions Sevaniketan School conducted its Investiture Ceremony for the academic year 2024-25 at school campus in city recently.

This event marked the formal induction of new School Council members, House Captains and Editorial Board members.

The school leaders were elected through an electronic voting mechanism by the students and pledged to uphold the values and responsibilities entrusted to them. School President Ln. Nagarajan Srinivasan, who officiated the swearing-in, installed the new team.

School Principal Dr. Roopa Karumbaiah, Administrator H.S. Thrinesh, Vice-Principal Shobha Pereira and all the teaching and non-teaching staff were present on the occasion.

Appointed to Wildlife Board

Sanketh Poovaiah

Madikeri, July 31 (BCT)- The State Government has appointed Meriyanda Sanketh Poovaiah, a social worker from Kodagu district, as Member of the State Board of Wildlife (SBWL). The board plays a crucial role in advising the government on wildlife conservation and related issues.

SBWL is chaired by the Chief Minister with Forest Minister as Vice-Chairman. Sanketh Poovaiah will serve a three-year term, according to an order issued by the Under- Secretary to the Government.

The Board is responsible for monitoring protected areas and scrutinising various projects proposed by public and private agencies to ensure that conservation is not compromised in the name of development.

The Board also includes three MLAs: Ashoka Pattana (Ramadurga), H.M. Ganesh Prasad (Gundlupet) and Puttanna (MLC, Bengaluru Central Teachers Constituency). Other members are: Dhruv M. Patil, son of Minister M.B. Patil, and Vaishali Kulkarni, daughter of former Minister Vinay Kulkarni.

Sanketh Poovaiah has been recognised for his efforts to mitigate human-wildlife conflicts and his commitment to the conservation of wildlife and forest resources.

Pratibha Puraskar by Adarsha Seva Sangha

Mysuru, July 31- The city's Adarsha Seva Sangha has invited applications from meritorious students of Trimatastha Brahmin community, who have scored more than 90 percent marks in SSLC and PUC (2023-24) and from Diploma, Degree, Post-Graduate, Technical, Medical and Law students of the community who have passed with distinction, for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar.

Students must be children of the Sangha members or of those who seek to become the Sangha members. The filled in application forms along with supporting records, must be submitted at the Sangha Office, No. 2, Block 27, Madhuvana Layout, Srirampura 2nd Stage, Mysuru, before Aug. 15.

Pratibha Puraskar will be presented at a programme to take place at Nadamantapa of Sri Ganapathy Ashram on Nanjangud Road in city on Sept. 1. For details, contact Ph: 0821-3559202 or Mob: 92434-35252, 91411-76040 or 81051-82432.

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

Everybody must join hands against human trafficking: Judge Ravindra Hegde

Mysuru, July 31 (MTY&BS)- Principal District and Sessions Judge Ravindra Hegde has said that, public cooperation is vital in the prevention of human trafficking, that has emerged as a serious issue in the society.

Judge Ravindra Hegde was addressing the gathering after inaugurating the programme organised to observe World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, organised by the District Administration in association with District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Department of Health and Family Welfare, District Child Protection Unit, Sakhi One Stop Centre and Department of Women and Child Development, at Zilla Panchayat auditorium in the city yesterday.

There is a need to create awareness about human trafficking among people. Some, on the pretext of facilitating job, lure the poor and also force the children into child labour. The action taken against such cases, should be publicised widely in media to make the people aware, advised the Judge.

There are instances of trafficking kids and coercing them to sell pens, stickers on the roadside and also in beggary. By buying the wares sold by such persons, the people are indirectly supporting the racket. Instead, all the Departments, with the cooperation of associations and the general public, should resort to study the background of such kids and create awareness, as one person alone cannot eradicate the gigantic threat posed by human trafficking. City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said, the Department has taken human trafficking into serious consideration and the action is being taken in children missing cases, without showing any negligence.

The people should be aware of the modus operandi of those indulge in human trafficking, luring in the name of job to unemployed persons, exploiting their poverty. Without falling into the trap of such dubious offerings, we should ensure personal safety.

Human trafficking has grown into a bigger malaise, threatening the security of the country. Hence, everybody should join hands to fight human trafficking, also amounts to human trafficking. Every Department should create awareness by organising special programmes. Moreover, we should create awareness among children at the school level about strangers.

Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, administered oath against human trafficking to the gathering.

DLSA Member-Secretary B.G. Dinesh, ZP Deputy Secretary M. Krishnaraju, District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, Deputy Director of Women and Child Development Department Manjunath, District Child Protection Officer Yogesh and others were present.

ZP Chief Executive Officer (CEO) K.M. Gayathri said, the unorganised sectors organising themselves and harassing others appealed Seema Latkar.

SCSP/ TSP Funds for Guarantee Schemes

Doesn't Social Welfare Minister feel the pain? asks Research Scholar

Mysuru, July 31 (GA&BS)- The research scholars and students staged a protest under the banner of University of Mysore Researchers Association, in front of the clock tower at Manasagangothri campus in city yesterday, in protest against the diversion of Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub-plan (TSP) funds, for the implementation of Congress's five Guarantee Schemes in the State.

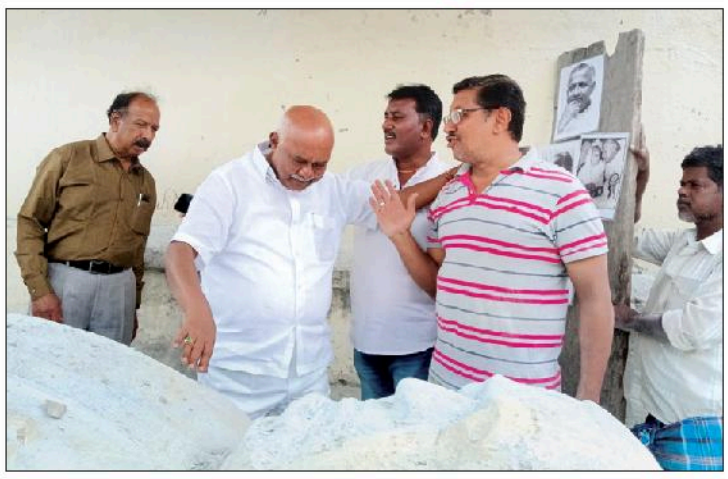
The protesters demanded that, the SCSP and TSP funds should be spent on the economical progress of dalits. The Section 7C of SCSP/ TSP Act should be abolished and the earlier schemes like Prabuddha Yojana for SC/ ST students and the scholarship to encourage them among others, should be continued as usual.

Varahalli Anand, a research scholar, said that, it is reported that, Congress Government in the State has diverted Rs. 25,396 crore from a total of Rs. 39,121.37 crore meant for SCP/ TSP towards the implementation of five Guarantee Schemes this year. The remaining funds are also reportedly utilised for other purposes.

If Section 7D under SCSP/ TSP Act is scrapped and Section 7C is retained to enable the diversion of funds, doesn't it amount to burying the sole purpose of earmarking funds under SCSP/ TSP? Shouldn't we call it as cheating or not? asked Varahalli Anand.

If the funds meant for the scholarship of students, for passing SSLC, PUC, Degree and Post-Graduate exams in their first attempt, is diverted by the Social Welfare Department to keep the Guarantee Schemes alive, shouldn't we call it as intolerance towards dalits? he questioned. Doesn't Social Welfare Minister, who is also born as a dalit, feel the pain for resorting to cripple the children of the very own community, asked Anand, in a resenting tone.

MLC Vishwanath inspects works on D. Devaraj Urs' statue



Mysuru, July 31 (GA&BS)- The sculpting works of the statue of former Chief Minister late D. Devaraj Urs, is going on in full swing, at the workshop of sculptor Suryaprakash Yogiraj, on Chamaraja Double Road in the city.

The statue of Devaraj Urs, popular as the champion of backward classes, is proposed to be installed at the premises of District Offices complex that includes Deputy Commissioner's office, at Siddarthanagar on Bannur Road in city.

MLC A.H. Vishwanath, also a former MLA of Hunsur (the Constituency that was represented by Devaraj Urs, during his lifetime, in the Assembly) inspected the progress of works on carving the statue of Urs.

The work on sculpting the 12-feet tall statue of Urs has been taken up at an estimated cost of Rs. 92 lakh. Sculptor Suryaprakash, has been deftly carving the statue, on the basis of a thermocol model prepared after taking a cue from several other busts and photos of Urs.

Following the foundation laying ceremony by the District Administration in association with Department of Kannada and Culture on Feb. 19 this year, the stone to carve the statue was brought from a quarry in Chamarajanagar.

A thermocol model of former CM late D. Devaraj Urs.

Reacting to a query over the plans to unveil the statue of Urs, during the late former CM's forthcoming birth anniversary celebrations on Aug. 20, Vishwanath told *Star of Mysore* that the works on carving the statue of Urs is going on expected lines, but it is doubtful that the statue will be unveiled on schedule. It may be unveiled at least before Dasara.

State President of Devaraja Urs Prathime Prathishtana Samiti Zakir Hussain was also present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Purport

Pronunciation: per-PORT (Verb)
Meaning: To purport is to claim to be or do a particular thing when this claim may not be true.
Origin: The Latin verb portare, meaning "to carry," was the port of entry for many an English word, from the noun portfolio to familiar verbs report, support, and transport. (The port a ship uses comes from a different Latin source: portus, meaning "port.") Purport too ultimately comes from portare, although its direct ancestor is the Anglo-French verb purporter, meaning "to carry" or "to mean." Today, purport is typically used when someone or something makes a claim that may or may not be true. The skepticism that modern purporting generally requires wasn't present in the original verb, however. In the late 17th century, a purported claim was assumed as true as any. And three centuries before that, to purport a message, idea, etc., was simply to convey it. Purport can also function as a noun with a meaning closely related to the older verb one: it can refer to the main or general meaning conveyed in a piece of writing, in someone's actions, etc., as in "the purport of the visit" or "the essay's purport."
Example: "With the surge in popularity of environmental, social and governance (ESG) investing, it has become more important than ever to ensure that related companies and projects are as 'green' as they purport to be."
— Zennon Kapron, Forbes, 18 July 2023

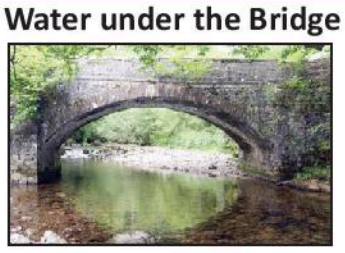
THE ODD WORD

Nemophilist

A haunter of the woods; one who loves forest & its beauty and solitude.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Water under the Bridge



Meaning: The phrase 'Water under the bridge' refers to past events to be put aside.
Origin: The origin of the phrase "Water under the bridge" is an ancient one; this saying is derived from an even older one that dates back to ancient Greece. Heraclitus, a pre-Socratic philosopher who lived during the 4th and 5th centuries BCE, conveyed the same idea when he coined the phrase "You cannot step twice in the same river."
Example: "Sure, we have had our disagreements in the past, but that's water under the bridge now."

QUOTE BOX

All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.

—George Orwell

RIDDLE THIS

What gets smaller every time it takes a bath?

Answer: A bar of soap.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Stride
5 Body of water
8 Nav. readings
12 Gumbo vegetable
13 Library ref.
14 Probably hearty too!
15 Ghastly
17 Coup d'- ___ : change of Govt.
18 These in French
19 Old-fashioned
21 Directive; harmony?
24 Manacles
25 Old stringed instrument
26 Informal greeting
27 Enjoyment
30 United Payments Interface abbr
31 Golf strokes
32 International Standards Organization, acronym?
33 Adult males
34 Fencing sword
35 Wine sediment
36 Snatches or seizes
38 Dizzy
39 Wholly (2,4)
41 "New", as a prefix
42 Star Wars' Princess ___
43 Supplementary item
48 Hits hard or thrashes
49 A sunken track made by wheels
50 Otherwise
51 Let it stand!
52 Cricket legend Kapil ___
53 Misplaced

DOWN
1 Fifth note of the scale
2 Ring decision
3 Stray in direction or deed
4 Package
5 Weeps or cries
6 Long fish
7 Sufficient and enough
8 Bundle of hay or straw
9 Met the requirements
10 Vigour, vitality or esprit de corps
11 Cobblestone - "test" anagram
16 Comparative ending ?
20 Alien craft
21 Female reproductive cell of animals
22 Fully developed
23 Serving a sentence (5,4)
24 Refers to
26 Storage place
28 Employed
29 Inquisitive
31 Kind of fuel
35 "Hello" singer ___ Ritchie
37 Cook by dry heat
38 A horsy command?
39 Troubles or complaints
40 Well-ordered
41 Popular news channel
44 Owed
45 Dead Letter Off.
46 United State Steamship, abbr.
47 Bumped into

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

F	E	T	E	■	I	A	T	A	■	V	A	R
M	A	R	X	■	C	R	I	B	■	I	C	E
S	U	I	T	■	B	R	O	U	H	A	H	A
■	■	F	O	R	M	■	■	T	I	L	E	R
B	E	L	L	Y	■	A	S	S	N	■	■	■
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A	T	N	■	■	O	R	E	■	■	O	N	T
L	U	G	S	■	I	T	E	M	■	R	M	U
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S	H	O	W	Y	■	■	A	W	R	Y	■	■
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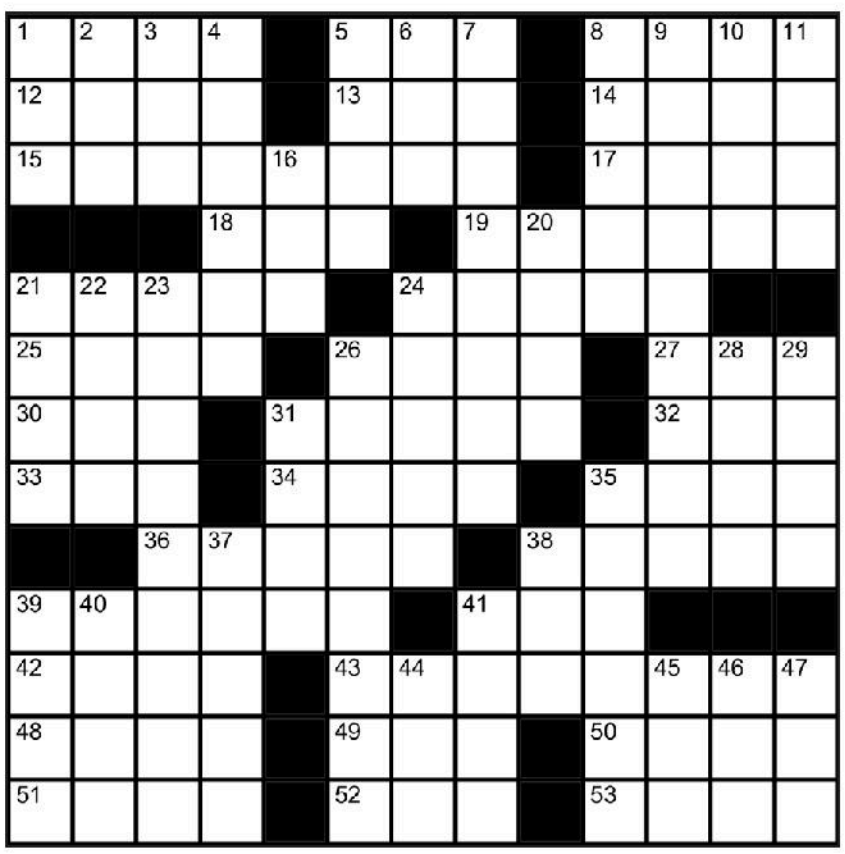

SUDOKU

3			8	4			1	9
1				3				
		2			9			
	8	1			3			
		4				1		
			5			2	9	
			9			5		
				7				1
2	6			5	1			8

Answer to previous puzzle

2	9	5	4	8	1	6	3	7
1	4	6	9	7	3	5	2	8
3	7	8	6	5	2	9	4	1
8	6	3	5	1	9	2	7	4
9	1	7	3	2	4	8	5	6
4	5	2	8	6	7	3	1	9
7	3	1	2	9	6	4	8	5
6	8	4	7	3	5	1	9	2
5	2	9	1	4	8	7	6	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VGJCBFR FSN ICZW OSINR DNYGBN OTNSB FNCOTR;

OTN HCPSCZO ZNHNB OCRON GY FNCOT DMO GZVN.

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You show people what you're willing to fight for when you fight your friends.

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Raayan (Ta)	(S-1)	1.20 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.35 am
Raktaksha (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Bad Newz (H)	(S-2)	12.50 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te)	(S-2)	3.35 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	(S-2)	7 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	(S-2)	10.25 pm
Bad Newz (H)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm
Roopantara (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Family Drama (K)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Rudraveena (Te)	(S-3)	10.10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.45 pm

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Roopanthara (K)	(S-1)	10.35 am; (S-4) 4.35 pm, 9 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-1)	1 pm
Kenda (K)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Family Drama (K)	(S-1)	6.25 pm
Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 7 pm
	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 4 pm, 9.20 pm
Raayan (Ta)	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 4.10 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	6.30 pm; (S-4) 10.30 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Rudraveena (Te)	(S-4)	7 pm

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Deadpool & Wolverine (H-3D)	:	9.50 am, 3.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	10.50 am, 12.45 pm, 1.45 pm, 4.40 pm 6.50 pm, 7.35 pm, 10.30 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (Ta-2D)	:	11.45 am
Deadpool & Wolverine (H-2D)	:	10 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	9.55 am, 1 pm, 4.05 pm 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	10.40 am, 10.10 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.50 am
Twisters (E)	:	1.15 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H)	:	2.40 pm, 6.20 pm
Family Drama (K)	:	4 pm
Kill (H)	:	4 pm
Roopanthara (K)	:	7.05 pm

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Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	9.20 am, 10.20 am, 12.15 pm 1.15 pm, 3.10 pm, 4.10 pm, 6.05 pm 7.05 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	9.25 am, 12.30 pm, 3.35 pm 6.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10.20 am, 4.40 pm
Raja Huli (K)	:	1.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	7.40 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	10.15 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Deadpool & Wolverine (H-3D)	:	3.10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (Te-3D)	:	9 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	10 am, 1.05 pm, 4.10 pm 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.35 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	12.15 pm
Roopanthara (K)	:	3.55 pm
Family Drama (K)	:	7.10 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10.20 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Bad Newz (H)	:	10 am, 4.15 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 1.10 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	10.30 am, 1 pm, 1.30 pm, 3.55 pm 4.30 pm, 6.50 pm, 7.30, 9.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Raktaksha (K)	:	11.10 am
Kenda (K)	:	1.45 pm
Sanketh (K)	:	4.45 pm
Devadoothan (Ma)	:	7.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Student Council of Vijaya Vittala PU College

The Student Council of Vijaya Vittala PU College, Saraswathipuram, for the academic year 2024-25 was formed recently. Principal of the College H. Satyaprasad is seen with Student Council Advisors K.S. Pradeep, Vijayasimha, M.D. Medha and Student Council Members Chaitanya Jyothi Naskar, Vyshanth, Pratheeksha and C. Punya - College leaders, Vishnu Sharath and R. Bhuvana - Deputy leaders, Anvitha Srikiran and M. Aniruddh - Cultural Secretaries, Nithin Gowda and V. Gunashree - Sports Secretaries.

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 31)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50,' Mega Consumer Expo marking golden jubilee of renaming the Mysore State as Karnataka, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Trinity College and Rotary Mysore Midtown, Mysuru:** Conferring of 'Trinity Academic Excellence Award - 2024' on S. Jahnavi (SSLC topper - 623/625) and Pratham Aditya Mohan (PUC topper - 579/600), Academician and Management Consultant Harish Machia Kodandera, chief guest, Rotary Mysore Midtown President Rtn. S. Kumara Swamy, Hon. Secretary Rtn. Elizar Milton and Trinity College Principal Dr. Shama E. Milton, will be present on the occasion, Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Samvidhana Samrakshana Horata Samithi and Adi Karnataka Hitarakshana Samithi, Mysuru:** Former MP R. Dhruvanarayan's 63rd birth anniversary celebrations, District In-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, MLA Tanveer Sait presides, MLC Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, MLAs Darshan Dhruvanarayan, K. Harishgowda, Anil Chikkamadu, D. Ravishankar and others, chief guests, B. Basavalingappa Circle (Silk Factory Circle), Manandawadi Road, Ashokapuram, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUGUST 1)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana to Sri Rajarajeswari Devi, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**
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- **KSRTC Geleyara Balaga, Mysuru:** Second State-level Shuttle Badminton tournament, MLA G.T. Devegowda inaugurates, MLC Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah presides, MLA T.S. Srivatsa distributes prizes, Samruddhi Sports Academy, Bank Colony, Bogadi, **10 am.**
- **Musical concert:** Musical concert in memory of renowned yesteryears singer Mohammad Rafi, rendering of Rafi's songs by singer Raghavendra Ratnakar along with singers Dr. Preetam Raghavendra and Shreshta K. Ragh, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha President T.R. Harish, Hotelier M.K. Puranik, Dr. S. Shivarajappa, industrialist Ravigowda, social worker K. Raghuram, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Writer Dr. Sougandhika V. Jois, Maharani's College Principal Dr. B.V. Vasanth Kumar and faculty M. Nanjundaiah, chief guests, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

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Last date and time of any Queries for tender	Date 02.08.2024 at 11.00 Hours
The Last date and time of tender submission	Date 08.08.2024 at 16.00 Hours
The Opening of Date and Time of Technical bid	Date 12.08.2024, at 16.30 Hours
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Sd/- **Commissioner,**
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